



## COUNTY OF SAN LUIS OBISPO

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### **Checklist for all applicants for Certified Producer's Certificates**

New and renewing applicants must complete the following questions and provide the specified documents in accordance with changes to the California Code of Regulations, Sections 1392.4, 1392.9 and 1392.9.1 (effective May, 2005.)

**1) Are you authorized to sell for any other certified producers? Yes\_\_\_\_\_ No\_\_\_\_\_**  
If yes, written authorization must be presented, and the names of the certified producers you represent must be put on your certificate. You may sell for no more than 2 other certified producers in a 12-month period.

**2) Do you authorize any certified producers to sell for you? Yes\_\_\_\_\_ No\_\_\_\_\_**  
If yes, their names must be put on your certificate. No more than 2 certified producers may sell on your behalf in a 12-month period.

**3) Are you applying for a certified producer's certificate based on being in a farming partnership, sharecropping agreement, or similar contractual agreement? Yes\_\_\_\_\_ No\_\_\_\_\_**

**If yes, proof of partnership or a copy of the current written agreement must be provided to the Agricultural Commissioner at the time of application. The information must contain all of the following details:**

- a) A clear description of the property location and size.
- b) The degree of financial and material involvement by each party.
- c) The date of the agreement.
- d) The length of the agreement.
- e) NOTARIZED signatures of all parties executing the agreement.

**4) Are you leasing the farm property on which the certified agricultural products are produced? Yes\_\_\_\_\_ No\_\_\_\_\_**

**If yes, a copy of the current written lease agreement must be provided to the Agricultural Commissioner at the time of application, with the following details:**

- a) A clear description of the size and location of the property.
- b) The cost of the lease.
- c) The date of the agreement.
- d) The length of the lease or agreement.
- e) NOTARIZED signatures of all parties executing the agreement.

## **EXTRA REQUIREMENTS APPLY TO THE FOLLOWING COMMODITIES:**

### **APPLES**

Apple Maggot trapping is required If you plan to sell apples in another state or the following counties: Contra Costa, El Dorado, Fresno, Kern, Kings, Madera, Merced, Monterey, San Benito, San Joaquin, Santa Cruz, Santa Barbara, Stanislaus, Tulare and Ventura.

### **AVOCADOS**

Avocado growers must obtain an avocado exemption permit (for maturity standards) from the Avocado Inspection Services in Escondido. To obtain the exemption permit, send a copy of the certified producer's certificate to 326 State Place, Escondido, CA., 92029. For more information, contact the Avocado Inspection Office at (760) 743-4712.

### **EGGS**

All egg producers are required to **register with the California Department of Agriculture** (CDFA) before the eggs/chickens can get listed on the certified producer's certificate. CDFA charges a fee of \$15 to sell eggs at the Farmers' Market. See handout "Egg Sales at the Farmer's Markets".

### **NURSERY STOCK** (plants in pots)

A **Nursery License** or **Nursery License exemption** is required to sell nursery stock at a Certified Farmers' Market.

### **PACKAGED GOODS**

Any product put in a bag; whether left open or closed, must have a label with the identity, responsibility and quantity (IRQ). Refer producer to Robert Lopez of Weights & Measures for further inquiries (805-781-5910).

To sell **salad mix or sprouts**, check with the Environmental Health Department (805-781-5544) for **food safety requirements**.

### **PERMANENT CROPS**

All permanent crops must be listed by variety. If all the commodities are permanent, and the producer has had a site inspection, and there are no additions to the certificate, the San Luis Obispo County Agriculture Commissioner (CAC) may waive the site inspection and fee. The CAC reserves the right to do a site inspection if it is deemed necessary.

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Producer's signature

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Certificate number

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Date